#### **January**

- 6 Saturday | 10:30 | 11:30 | ages 3 and up Film Program/Pingu
- 7 Sunday | 11:30 | ages 3 and up Film Program/Pingu
- 13 Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 9 to 12 Family Workshop/It Takes Two!
- 20 Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 9 to 12 Family Workshop/It Takes Two!
- 27 Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 9 to 12 Family Workshop/It Takes Two!

#### **February**

- 3 Saturday | 10:30 | ages 4 and up Film Program/The Little Polar Bear
- 4 Sunday | 11:30 | ages 4 and up Film Program/The Little Polar Bear

#### March

- 17 Saturday | 10:30 | ages 10 and up Film Program/Duma
- 18 Sunday | 11:30 | ages 10 and up Film Program/Duma



# NGAKICS

Family Activities at the National Gallery of Art, Washington







## children's film program

The Children's Film Program offers innovative film programming, enhances enjoyment of the Gallery's collections and exhibitions, and fosters an understanding of film as an art form. The program aims to represent a broad range of recently produced foreign and domestic films, including a variety of animation styles and live-action, and classics. See the listings below for film descriptions, appropriate age range, dates, and times. Films are in English, unless otherwise noted.

All film programs are shown in the East Building Auditorium. No registration is required. Programs are free and subject to change without notice. Seating is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Groups are welcome. For up-to-date information on the current month's films, please call (202) 789-3030.

front, top: Frances Flora Bond Palmer and Nathaniel Currier, American Winter Scenes: Morning (detail), published 1854, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon

front, middle: Still from *Pingu* (HIT Entertainment), scheduled to be shown on January 6 and 7

front, bottom: Kenzo Okada, *Blue* (detail), 1970, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon

above: Still from *Duma* (Carroll Ballard), scheduled to be shown on March 17 and 18

right: Still from *The Little Polar* Bear: The Mysterious Island (Thilo Graf Rothkirch and Piet De Rycker), scheduled to be shown on February 3 and 4

#### Pingu

(HIT Entertainment, United Kingdom, 40 minutes)
Saturday, January 6 | 10:30 am | 11:30 am
Sunday, January 7 | 11:30 am
ages 3 and up
Followed by a hands-on activity

In the classic animation style of claymation comes Pingu, a charming penguin who lives and plays at the South Pole. Alongside his parents, his sister Pinga, and his friend Robby the seal, Pingu finds himself in amusing and tricky situations. After each forty-minute screening of *Pingu*, families are invited to create their own clay penguin to take home. This activity is designed especially for ages three to eight.

#### The Little Polar Bear: The Mysterious Island

(Thilo Graf Rothkirch and Piet De Rycker, Warner Bros. Pictures Germany, 2005, 81 minutes) Saturday, February 3 | 10:30 am Sunday, February 4 | 11:30 am ages 4 and up

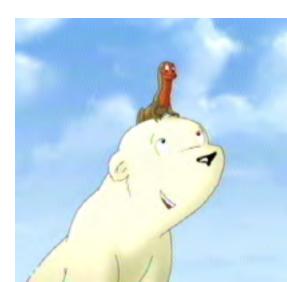
Join little polar bear Lars for an exciting adventure! With his buddies Caruso the penguin and Robby the seal, Lars enjoys playing and having fun in the North Pole. One day the trio gets trapped on a train and is unexpectedly whisked away on a southbound journey. After boarding a ship, the friends arrive on the Galapagos Islands, where they meet iguanas, sea crabs, and turtles. Lars and his pals free a giant prehistoric fish that has been trapped in a cave and save hundreds of turtle eggs from a volcano. Now all the friends have to do is somehow find their way back to the North Pole! An engaging tale, this animated film captivates with its sweet lessons on ecology, teamwork, and friendship.

#### Duma

(Carroll Ballard, USA, 2005, 100 minutes)
Saturday, March 17 | 10:30 am
Sunday, March 18 | 11:30 am
ages 10 and up

Set in southern Africa, this adventure tale explores the friendship between a courageous young boy named Xan and a cheetah. When Xan and his father come across an orphaned cheetah cub, they call their new friend "Duma," the Swahili word for cheetah. As they care for and raise the cat, it quickly becomes a member of the family. To Xan's dismay, his father explains that they must take Duma back before the cub grows too old to survive in its native habitat. When his father suddenly falls ill and dies, Xan is left alone to set Duma free. Traveling hundreds of miles over the scorching Margadikgadi Salt Pans, through the Okavango Delta, and into the Erongo Mountains, Xan returns his best friend to its rightful home in the wild. On their challenging journey, Xan discovers that Duma is ready to live the life it was born to have. Based loosely on the Hopcrafts' autobiographical novel How It Was with Dooms, the film beautifully photographs the wildlife and landscape of southern Africa.

The Children's Film Program is made possible by the generous support of washingtonpost.com.





## ice skating

Located on the National Mall at Ninth Street and Constitution Avenue, the National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden's ice-skating rink is open mid-November through mid-March, weather permitting. View magnificent works of sculpture while skating in the open air and enjoying music from the state-of-the-art sound system. For more information, visit www.nga.gov/ginfo/skating.htm

#### **Ice-Skating Rink Hours**

Monday – Thursday, 10:00 am – 9:00 pm Friday – Saturday, 10:00 am – 11:00 pm Sunday, 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Admission for two-hour sessions, beginning on the hour, is \$7.00 (adults) and \$6.00 (children age 12 and under, students with valid ID, and seniors age 50 and over). A season pass can be purchased for \$195.00. Skate rental is \$3.00.

## family workshop

Family Workshops are designed for children and adults to participate together. Taught by artists and museum educators, each workshop includes an interactive tour of an exhibition or part of the permanent collection followed by a hands-on studio session.

Workshops are free, but preregistration is required. To register, fill out the online registration form at www.nga.gov/programs/family.htm or call (202) 789-3030. See the complete listings for topics, required age range, times, and dates.

#### It Takes Two!

Saturdays, January 13, January 20, and January 27 morning session: 10:30 to 12:30 afternoon session: 1:30 to 3:30 ages 9 to 12 registration begins January 3 Meet at West Building Lecture Hall

Participants will explore *Prayers and Portraits: Unfolding the Netherlandish Diptych*, an exhibition of paired paintings from the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. The diptych format—essentially two hinged panels that can be opened and closed like a book—proved ideal for religious images as well as portraits. After looking at paintings in the exhibition by Rogier van der Weyden, Hans Memling, and Jan van Eyck, adults and children will work together to create their own portrait diptychs to take home. Led by museum educator Nathalie Ryan.

Family and Youth Programs are made possible in part by the generosity of the Prince Charitable Trusts.



above: Gilbert Stuart, *The Skater* (*Portrait of William Grant*) (detail), 1782, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Andrew W. Mellon Collection

left: John Toole, Skating Scene (detail), c. 1835, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Edgar William and Bernice Chrysler



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## Welcome to NGA kids!

This quarterly publication includes a calendar of events for kids at the National Gallery of Art, with program descriptions and dates as well as the Inside Scoop, a pull-out section with information and activities about works of art that children and adults may enjoy together. Please send your comments or suggestions to family@nga.gov.

### kids' stuff

#### **Upcoming Activities**

Would you like to know the schedule of Family Programs before you receive this brochure? Check our Web site regularly for the most up-to-date calendar: www.nga.gov/programs/family.htm

#### **NGAkids Online**

Participate in family activities at the National Gallery of Art without leaving home. Visit www.nga.gov/kids, the Gallery's Web site for children and families, for interactive Art Zone programs like online collage and portrait-making projects. Check out the new Dollhouse interactive inspired by seventeenth-century Dutch paintings.

#### **Audio Program**

Travel with Pieter and Tanya as they explore life and art nearly four hundred years ago! *Adventures in Art*, a family audio tour for children age seven to twelve, highlights the Gallery's collection of seventeenth-century Dutch and Flemish paintings—including works by Rembrandt and Rubens. It can be rented from the Acoustiguide desk located in the West Building Rotunda. \$3.00 per tour; \$2.00 for additional headphones.

#### Reminder

Events and street-closings occur year-round on the Mall. Please allow sufficient time to get to the Gallery. The nearest Metro stops are Judiciary Square on the Red Line, Archives on the Yellow/Green Lines, and Smithsonian on the Blue/Orange Lines. Metro bus stops are located on Fourth Street and Seventh Street NW.

